

Subject: Dragutin Djurdjev, Yugoslav  
Minister to Chile

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(American citizen, long-time resident in Chile (B), from Yugoslav immigrant with excellent contacts in Yugoslav circles in Chile (B). Appraisal of Content: 3. ....)

1. During the latter part of November 1956 Dragutin Djurdjev, Yugoslav Minister to Chile, received a confidential circular from the Ministry of Foreign Relations in Yugoslavia, which asked for a list of Yugoslav immigrants in Chile who might be classified as war criminals.
2. When Juan GARAFULIO, former president of the Yugoslav Club JADRAN, went to offer felicitations to Djurdjev on 25 November, on the occasion of Communist Yugoslav National Day, Djurdjev spoke about the possible visit of TITO to the U.S. in 1957. According to Djurdjev, TITO would surely take up the matter of Andrija ARTUKOVIC's presence in the U.S. if he came to visit there, then, and might possibly discuss the problem of the handing over of Yugoslav war criminals who are living in the U.S.

1. Source Comment. ARTUKOVIC was formerly Minister of the Interior of the Croat Independent State, which was created during the time of Hitler and Mussolini. The Yugoslav authorities asked for the return of ARTUKOVIC to Yugoslavia, but a high U.S. court denied the request, saying that there was no treaty between the U.S. and Yugoslavia for the return of such persons who were living in the U.S.

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